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PRESS RELEASE

FRAUD AND NARCOTIC SUSPECTS ARRESTED

DATE: August 4, 2016
LOCATION: Heritage Inn, 378 W. Calaveras Bl,
CASE #: 16-217-111
SUSPECT #1: Steven Talbott Zensius, 47-year-old male, Fremont resident
SUSPECT #2: Joseph Marino Luprete, 32-year-old male, San Jose resident
SUSPECT #3: Jennie Danielle Gates, 18-year-old female, San Jose resident
SUSPECT VEHICLE: Brown 1995 Ford Taurus

On August 4, 2016, at approximately 12:11 P.M., a Milpitas Police officer saw a brown 1995 Ford Taurus in the parking lot of the Heritage Inn at 378 W. Calaveras Blvd. The officer spoke to a man, later identified as Steven Zensius, who was working on the car. Zensius was on probation from Alameda County and was found to be in possession of a small quantity of suspected methamphetamine.

During the course of the investigation, officers conducted a search of a room at the Heritage Inn associated to Zensius. At the room, officers located Joseph Luprete and Jennie Gates. Luprete was on probation from Santa Clara County. A search of the motel room revealed suspected methamphetamine, multiple fictitious identification cards, a credit card re-encoder device, and multiple suspected stolen credit card numbers. Luprete was booked into the Santa Clara County jail for fraud related charges and violation of probation. Gates was booked into the Santa Clara County jail for possession of a controlled substance and fraud related charges. Zensius was cited and released for being in possession of a controlled substance.

Press Release By: Sergeant Steven Fox
Date/Time: August 4, 2016; 5:00 P.M.



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